

#### We are here to help you navigate the Tempe PRE program.

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#### Kindergarten 2021-2022

Creating a path for your preschooler early is a great way to plan for success.

Kindergarten registration for the 2021-2022 school year begins on Thursday, Jan. 14, 2021.

Kindergarten registration will take place at all elementary schools from 5 - 6:30 p.m., with social distancing and masks required. Children do not need to be present for registration and no classroom tours will be available at this time.

If you plan to enroll your child at their home school your child is guaranteed a spot at that school and can register up until the start of school in August 2021.

## **Happy New Year!!**

We are excited to welcome 2021 and look forward to new learning with your children in our classrooms. All Tempe PRE classrooms are open for optional "camp" attendance until the schools resume regular in-person attendance. Even with 2020 now in the past, we will continue to focus on strong health and safety practices and encourage everyone to be kind to one another through consistent mask-wearing and handwashing! Welcome back!







## "Camp"

Our Tempe PRE classrooms will continue to function as camps from January 4 -22, 2021. Remember that we do not yet offer extended care until the schools officially open. Our classes will return with the same children that have been attending so far. We will not accept new students at this time for safety reasons.



#### **Learning at Home with Thrive to Five**

Is your child not attending Tempe PRE camp? No problem! You can participate in on-line activities at home with Thrive to Five. Thrive to Five offers FREE classes and community resources to families with children 0-5 years old. For more information and to register for classes visit <a href="http://www.thrivetofive.org/">http://www.thrivetofive.org/</a>

### **Tempe PRE Registration and Enrollment**

Steps for enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year

- Please DO NOT reapply on the website if your child is currently attending Tempe PRE.
- Parents of age-eligible children attending Tempe PRE for one more year will be asked to complete an "Intent to return" form in January. You can choose to stay in the same school or switch sites.
- Returning families MUST complete the Tempe PRE re-enrollment during summer break. Tempe PRE staff will contact you to ask for the required documentation and sign new forms for the 2021-2022 school year.
- If your child is going to be tested for kindergarten, we will save their spot until you get the results.
- It is important for you to let us know if you are not planning to attend the next school year. This will allow us to open the spot to a new child.
- Financial assistance will be available for children returning to Tempe PRE, only if they are still living in the City of Tempe.

Please remember to check your email on a regular basis as we will be sending important information about your child's Tempe PRE enrollment through the email address we have on file.



# Important Dates Tempe Elementary School District

- ▼ January 4 January 22, 2021 Schools to remain closed for regular in-person instruction; optional preschool camps will continue.
- ▼ January 25, 2021 Transition to regular instruction on January 25, 2021 if benchmarks are met.

#### Our Vision...

To be a safe, nurturing and accepting community school where all students are challenged to learn and be prepared for success in kindergarten.

Inspiring Minds. Investing in our Future.

